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Herger: Trustees' Report Shows Entitlement Reform Can't Wait

(WASHINGTON, D.C.) -- Congressman Wally Herger (CA-02) today reacted to the Social Security and Medicare Trustees' annual report on the financial condition of America's retirement safety net programs. Herger issued the following statement in response to the report:

"Once again the Social Security and Medicare Trustees reports underscore the immediate need for entitlement reform and highlight the dangers of delay. The 'do-nothing' option is simply not responsible. Medicare, Social Security, and Medicaid are on track to crowd out every penny of the federal budget. If action is not taken soon, working American families will see thousands of dollars in higher taxes, crippling economic growth and stifling job creation.

"Each year Washington 'dodges the political landmine,' our already immense burden of future debt grows by another \$7,000 for every man, woman and child in the U.S. Congress must act soon and must act responsibly."

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